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Constituting an Agreement supplementary to the
Agreement Between the Government of Ireland
and
the Government of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Northern Ireland
establishing Implementation Bodies
done at Dublin on 8 March 1999

Exchange of Letters dated 18 June 1999

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Presented to Dáil Éireann by the Minister for Foreign Affairs

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18 June 1999

H.E. Mr. David Andrews
Minister for Foreign Affairs

I have the honour to refer to recent discussions between our two Governments concerning the interpretation, in relation to post-1999 Structural Funds, of the terms “Community Initiatives”, “Initiatives” and “CIs” in Part 4 of Annex 1 and Part 4 of Annex 2 to the Agreement between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland establishing Implementation Bodies done at Dublin on 8 March 1999 (“the Implementation Bodies Agreement”^{*}).

It is the understanding of my Government that it was the joint intention of our two Governments that the aforementioned terms would include any successor to the PEACE programme established within the framework of the European Community’s Structural Funds and should be construed accordingly. If this is also the understanding of your Government, I have the honour to propose that this letter and your reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments concerning the interpretation of these terms which shall enter into force on the date on which the Implementation Bodies Agreement enters into force.

Marjorie Mowlam
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland

^{*} Irish Treaty Series N° 28 of 2000

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Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs
Dublin

18 June 1999

Rt. Hon. Marjorie Mowlam
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 18 June 1999 concerning the interpretation of certain terms contained in the Agreement between our two Governments establishing Implementation Bodies done at Dublin on 8 March 1999. I confirm that it is also the understanding of my Government that it was the joint intention of our two Governments that the terms as specified in your letter would include any successor to the PEACE programme established within the framework of the European Community's Structural Funds and should be construed accordingly.

I have the honour to confirm that this letter and your letter shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments concerning the interpretation of these terms which shall enter into force on the date on which the Implementation Bodies Agreement enters into force.

David Andrews T.D.
Minister for Foreign Affairs